

Remarks

In furtherance of the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this Application and consideration of the foregoing amendment, which is hereby submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 2-42 are pending in the application, with 2, 15, 21, 31, 37, and 40 being the independent claims. Claim 1 is sought to be cancelled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter therein. New claims 31-42 are sought to be added. Claims 2-7, 10, 11, 14-16, 21, 27, 29, and 30 are sought to be amended. Support for these changes can be found at, inter alia, page 3, lines 2-4; page 4, lines 9-21; pages 5-7; and pages 11 and 12 of the specification and FIGs. 2A-2C of the drawings. These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

Based on the above amendment and the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn.

Personal Interview

A personal interview was held on Thursday, July 14, 2005, between Examiner Tam (Jenny) Phan, Primary Examiner Marc Thompson, and Applicants' representative Kendrick P. Patterson (Registration. No. 45,321). Applicants would like to thank the Examiners for a helpful and constructive interview.

During the interview, Applicants' representative and Examiners Phan and Thompson discussed the differences between the Applicants' invention and the cited documents (namely, U.S. Patents 6,446,080 and 5,802,292). Applicants' representative suggested various amendments to independent claims 1 and 2, for example, to clarify intelligent caching as disclosed in Applicants' specification (see page 1, lines 4-7). More specifically, the cited documents do not teach or suggest intelligent caching that incorporates interrelated media based on the context of a client query, and/or that provides user control over cache ordering and/or media format. The above amendment reflects this clarification.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103

In the Office Action, the Examiner sustains the rejection of claims 1-30 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as allegedly being non-obvious over a combination of the following documents:

1. U.S. Patent 6,446,080 to Van Ryzin *et al.* (herein referred to as "Van Ryzin");
2. U.S. Patent 5,802,292 to Mogul *et al.* (herein referred to as "Mogul");
3. U.S. Patent 5,557,541 to Schulhof *et al.* (herein referred to as "Schulhof"); and
4. U.S. Patent 6,535,878 to Guedalia *et al.* (herein referred to as "Guedalia"). (Paper No. 03122005, pages 2-11).

Although Applicants respectfully disagree, these rejections are moot in light of the above amendment. Independent claims 2, 15, and 21 (as well as new independent claims 31, 37, and 40), all, recite features that are not taught or suggested by Van Ryzin, Mogul, Shulhof, and/or Guedalia. For example, none of the above documents, taken

alone or in combination, teach or suggest a search request that, when executed, identifies a plurality of objects (or files), each object being interrelated to the other objects in accordance with the context of the search criterion, and/or a sort criterion that, when executed, sorts the identified objects in a user-specified order.

Claims 3-7 and 32-36 depend from claim 31; claims 8-14 depend from claims 2; claims 16-20 depend from claim 15; claims 22-30 depend from claim 21; claims 38 and 39 depend from claim 37; and claims 41 and 42 depend from claim 40. As such, the dependent claims are patentable for at least the reasons stated above, in addition to the features recited therein. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-30 (as well as consideration of new claims 31-42), and allowance thereof.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants would like to bring to the Examiner's attention that an Information Disclosure Statement (with an accompanying Form PTO-1449) was submitted to the USPTO on March 24, 2005 in regards to the instant patent application. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of these documents, and that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the Form PTO-1449.

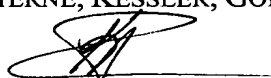
Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of objection and rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn. Applicants believe that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment and Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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